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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of )  
Melanie Ann Pykett et al. )  
Serial No. 10/069,975 ) Examiner:  
Filed: March 11, 2002 ) Group Art Unit:  
For: SKINCARE COMPOSITION )  
AGAINST FREE RADICALS )

**COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO  
NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

January 10, 2003

Dear Sir:

This Communication is submitted in response to the December 10, 2002 Notification of Defective Response issued in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Notification is due January 10, 2003. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

**REMARKS**

In response to the December 10, 2002 Notification of Defective Response, Applicants submit the following documents to support the addition of Stewart Paul Long as an inventor in the subject application:

1) Statement of Stewart Paul Long, stating that he was omitted from inventorship in International application number PCT/EP00/08729, of which the subject application is a U.S. national phase entry application, without deceptive intent on his part; and

2) Assent of The Boots Company PLC, indicating that the Assignee assents to the addition of Stewart Paul Long as inventor in the subject U.S. national phase entry application.

Applicants assert that the submission of these documents constitutes a sufficient response to the December 10, 2002 Notification.

No fee is believed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. If any fee is required, however, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 02-2135.

Respectfully submitted,

1/10/03  
Date

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For: SKINCARE COMPOSITION AGAINST FREE RADICALS

STATEMENT OF STEWART PAUL LONG

Commissioner of Patent  
Washington, D.C. 20231

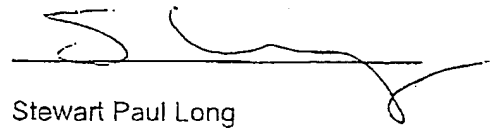
Sir:

Stewart Paul Long deposes and states as follows:

He understands that he is to be added as an inventor to U.S. application serial number 10/069,975, which is a U.S. national phase entry application from International application number PCT/EP00/08729. He states that he was omitted from the inventorship in the International application without deceptive intention on his part.

All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that the statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or document or any patents resulting there from.

In the event any fees are required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2300.



Stewart Paul Long



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ASSENT OF THE BOOTS COMPANY PLC

Commissioner of Patent  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The Boots Company PLC, to which the original inventors of the international application and Stewart Paul Long have assigned all rights, hereby assents to the addition of Stewart Paul Long as an inventor of the U.S. national phase entry application, identified above.

The Boots Company PLC

Date: 15 January 2003

By: Michael John Oliver

Typed Name: Michael John Oliver

Title: Company Secretary

